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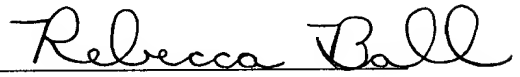
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group: 1744
Confirmation No.: 9681
Application No.: 09/631,339
Invention: CONTAINER FOR CARRYING
OUT AND MONITORING
BIOLOGICAL PROCESSES
Applicant: Carl T. Wittwer, et al.
Filed: August 3, 2000
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AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. Applicants request continued examination in the captioned application. An Information Disclosure Statement with accompanying form PTO-1449 and copies of the cited references is enclosed. An Amendment is also enclosed. A response to the outstanding final office action was filed on October 26, 2004. As indicated on the Request for Continued Examination Transmittal, Applicants request that the amendments included in the October 26 response be considered and

entered. Our check number 347758 in the amount of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) for filing a Request for Continued Examination accompanies this request.

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) to file this Request, extending the due date for response to January 11, 2005. The period for response was set to expire on November 11, 2004. Our check number 347759 in the amount of \$450.00 for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) accompanies this Request. Applicants believe that no other fees are required. If any fees are required, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge the same to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter 7475-66667.